

Regular Meeting

Agenda Item #	2
Meeting Date	January 29, 2007
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Discussion Item	First Reading Ordinance Amending Chapter 14.12 of the <i>Takoma Park Code</i> to Revise the Number of Members of the Noise Control Board
Background	<p>At the November 20, 2006 Council worksession, the Noise Control Board presented a number of recommendations to the Council to help the Board function more efficiently and effectively. One recommendation was to create a range in the number of members of the Board from “seven members” to “five to seven members.” The change will allow the Noise Control Board to be fully staffed at five members.</p> <p>The attached ordinance amends the City Code to effect the change recommended by the Board.</p>
Policy	The City Code is amended by adoption of a two reading ordinance.
Fiscal Impact	None
Attachments	Draft First Reading Ordinance
Recommendation	Council to accept the ordinance at first reading.
Special Consideration	

Introduced by:

First Reading:

Second Reading:

Effective Date:

**ORDINANCE 2007-
AMENDING CHAPTER 14.12 OF THE *TAKOMA PARK CODE* TO REVISE THE
NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE NOISE CONTROL BOARD**

WHEREAS, the Noise Control Board was established to assist and advise the City on noise control issues, including administration and enforcement of the Noise Control Ordinance, and to adjudicate noise disturbance complaints; and

WHEREAS, Chapter 14.12, Section 14.12.140.A.2 sets the membership of the Board at seven active members; and

WHEREAS, the current members of the Noise Control Board have recommended to the Council that the City Code be amended to allow the Board to function with fewer members in the event that it is not possible to fully staff Board; and

WHEREAS, the Council has accepted the recommendation of the Noise Control Board.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
TAKOMA PARK, MARYLAND THAT:**

Title 14 Health and Safety, Chapter 14.12 Noise Control, Section 14.12.140.A.2 be amended as follows:

2. The Board shall consist of 5 to 7 active members appointed by the Council. All members shall be residents of the City. Board members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years, except that 3 of the initial appointees shall serve 2-year terms. Terms shall begin on April 1st and end on March 31st.

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2007 by roll-call vote as follows:

AYES:

NAYS:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

EXPLANATORY NOTE

Additions to the existing language of the Takoma Park Code are indicated by highlighting and underlining.